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Dedication Sunday at Pilgrim Firs, July 29, 1956
The main lodge and dining room pictured above.

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FREE — FOR WHAT?

Archie H. Hook

Superintendent and Minister

In a September issue of The Christian Century is a prayer for America Facing a National Election, the last of which reads: "And may we duly cherish our right to think and vote according to the dictates of honesty and honor. In the name of him who came to make all men free, even Jesus Christ—the Way, the Truth and the Life. Amen."

The Council for Social Action, participating with like departments of sixteen other denominations, has prepared a pamphlet entitled "Questions for Christians in 1956." The first topic on which questions are asked is Basic Freedoms. We are asked to meditate seriously on problems facing us, both in our national security and individual freedom; and to go further in our thinking on how we can extend our basic freedoms to all the people of the world.

This emphasis on freedom is a good thought, not only as we face national, state and city elections, but as we go about our daily lives and as we are engaged in the many avenues of Christian service entailed in our church programs. It is helpful to realize anew the privilege of that word "Free," as accorded us by our Lord.

Freedom is one of the foundation stones in our Congregational Christian Fellowship—freedom of interpretation and freedom of belief. But, with freedom comes the responsibility of arriving at the truth—the truth that makes men free.

Without our freedom to make choices we would be mere puppets and of little use in building the Kingdom of God among men. We also need to be free if we are to have a full, personal fellowship with God. Kirby Page wisely says: "A person cannot form a rich friendship with a granite boulder, and God could not win from an inanimate machine that affectionate response for which he yearns."

We are grateful for the faith God has in us and pray that we may be given Divine guidance for our responsibility in carrying out his will in the world.

"For He that worketh high and wise,
Nor pauses in his plan,
Will take the sun out of the skies
Ere freedom out of man."

—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

OCTOBER ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Dr. Proculo Arreza Rodriguez of Dumaguete, Philippine Islands, one of the outstanding Protestant leaders of his land, a bishop of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines, and a Christian educator, will be with us for our 6 Association Meetings this fall.

Dr. Rodriguez, who is a versatile interpreter of the Gospel, was a member of the faculty of the College of Theology at Silliman University in Dumaguete, his alma mater, until this spring.

Dr. & Mrs. Rodriquez at General Council

A leader in literacy and translation work, in rural cooperatives and in church supervision, Dr. Rodriguez as a bishop of the United Church, exercises much the same supervision of churches and carries on much the same responsibilities as a Congregational Christian state superintendent.

His territory is on Mindanao, one of the largest of the islands with an area of 36,537 square miles. There are over 260 congregations scattered over Mindanao in cities, towns and villages. This is still frontier country, very fertile, and since the close of World War II it has been called the "Bread Basket" of the Philippines. Into this island come thousands of homesteaders flooding in from the north and finding hope for the future for themselves and their families as they farm the new land. Among these are hundreds of the once Communist Huk families established by the government under the program set up by President Magsaysay.

Mrs. Rodriguez, who will also be with us, is president of the National Women's Association of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines. Mrs. Rodriguez has been the spearhead of at least a half dozen projects in the Philippines in both church and civic life. "Our national objectives are to train leaders for church work, community work and family life improvements," she says. She does a great deal of writing and encourages others to write.

Other highlights of our Association meetings will be reports on the work and plans of our Conference for the fall and winter months.

Every church in our Conference should be represented by a delegation of laymen and minister at their association meeting. The association is and has always been one of the cornerstones of Congregationalism.

Association Meetings

Oct. 2-3, Tues. and Wed., Eastern Washington-Northern Idaho Assoc. at Chewelah.

Oct. 4, Thursday, Yakima Assoc. at Toppenish.

Oct. 7, Sunday, Tacoma Assoc. at Pilgrim Church, Tacoma.

Oct. 8, Monday, Northwestern Assoc. at First Cong., Everett.

Oct. 9, Tuesday, Seattle Assoc. at West Seattle.

Oct. 11, Thursday, Columbia River Assoc. at Cathlamet.

THE GENERAL COUNCIL IN OMAHA

Theron A. Zimmerman

By this time many of you have eady read the very splendid re-ts of the Biennial meeting of General Council in Omaha in the y 18 issue of ADVANCE. We e you to secure this copy some-v and read these concise reports efully if you have not already e so. Such a reading would serve a valuable study in Congrega-nal Christian churchmanship.

The patience of those who have ored long for church union was varded by the overwhelming vote 310 to 179) of the General Coun-to proceed with the union with e Evangelical and Reformed urch. 357 delegates were elected meet in Cleveland next June 957) to constitute the General Sy-d of the United Church of Christ. e deliberations on this very im-tant issue occupied a very large rt of the business sessions. There s a very conscious evidence of the king of the guidance of the Holy irit. All views and questions were ard with patience. The fairness d the kindness of our Moderator, . Albert Buckner Coe, might well ve as a model to all of us in our urch deliberations.

We saw, too, a spirit that said, Ve must be about our Father's siness" as delegates responded to e challenge of Our Christian World ssion overseas as so ably pre-nted by National representatives m the Philippines, Africa, India, ddle East and East Asia.

The tremendous opportunity of r mission to America through our ard of Home Missions was felt by . Our vision of the scope of our rk through this Board widened we heard of the activities in ristian Education, Youth Work, mmunity Centers, Race Relations d campus responsibilities.

The Council for Social Action felt new surge of life as delegates udied and discussed seriously the rward looking resolutions and ok firm and courageous stands. We were reminded that we are a part of a great crusading Church. All of us would do well to study these resolutions in all our local churches.

One of the most dramatic and moving experiences at Omaha was the standing ovation given two Negro clergymen, one of them from Montgomery, Alabama, who were presented with Churchmanship Awards by the C. S. A., commending the spirit of non-violence with which these ministers have led their people in opposing the discriminatory practices of bus companies. It was an indication of the involvement of all Congregational Christians in the problem.

Deep appreciation was expressed to Dr. Douglas Horton, who served many years as Minister of the General Council and who has recently left this post and has become Dean of Harvard Divinity School. His successor, Dr. Fred Hoskins from our church in Oak Park, Illinois, was presented.

An outstanding layman, Mr. George B. Hastings of Nebraska, who has served our denomination wisely and well for many years, was chosen as the Moderator of the next two years. The very large place the laymen and lay women are filling in the whole life of the church was very evident on every hand. Mr. John G. Neukom of San Mateo, California, was chosen as President of the Board of Home Missions, a position which has been held usually by clergymen. Another layman, Dr. Percy Julian, a very able scientist, was elected Chairman of the Council for Social Action.

The General Council was led in worship each day by the Rev. Cloma A. Huffman of West Point. The warmth and sincerity of his messages and the deep experience of worship brought the delegates to their seats early in order not to miss this very important part of our Council.

The spirit of the Council will continue as in all our churches throughout the world we take up the slogan, "THE CAUSE OF CHRIST I MAKE MY OWN," and make it meaningful through all our program.

WELCOME TO OUR CONFERENCE

Richard H. Thom, Richmond Beach

Mr. Thom, a June graduate of Harvard Divinity School, came to Richmond Beach early in September. He held pastorates in Arizona and California previous to his most recent in Malden, Massachusetts, during the past three years. Mrs. Thom is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lemon of Seattle, and is a graduate of the University of Washington. The Thoms have a son, David Reid, 16 months.

Richard H. Thom

Miss Elizabeth McGuffie, Minister of Christian Education, Seattle, Plymouth

Miss McGuffie comes to Seattle from First Church, Greeley, Colorado. She is a graduate of Hartford Theological Seminary and is an ordained minister. At Plymouth Miss McGuffie will be in charge of the total Christian Education program for children and adults.

Miss Shirley Kajikawa, Director of Christian Education, Seattle, Fauntleroy

Miss Kajikawa joined the Fauntleroy Staff early in September. Shirley was born in Tacoma and lived in the lower Puyallup area until the tragic relocation of the Japanese at the beginning of the World War II. During this period she made the decision to go into the field of social service and graduated with a B. A. degree in Sociology. After a period of time in social service and working with the United Nations, she decided to enter full time church work. Since graduation from Hartford Theological Seminary she has served our churches well in the field of Christian Education. She comes to Fauntleroy from Meriden, Connecticut.

Shirley Kajikawa

Mrs. Anna P. Smith, Minister of Education, Seattle, Magnolia

Mrs. Smith was unanimously voted a call to come to the Magnolia Church as the Minister of Christian Education. Mrs. Smith is a member of Seattle, Plymouth and transferred her standing to our Conference in 1948. She will begin her ministry around November 1. Mrs. Smith has been serving the Church of the Prairie near Tacoma. Until Mrs. Smith joins the staff, Miss Helen Kincaid, formerly of the Council of Churches, is helping to launch the new program in the recently dedicated Christian Education unit. For the first time in Magnolia's history, all church school classes are meeting on Sunday.

Wade L. Carter, Associate, Seattle, Plymouth

For the Carters this is a return home, having served our Vancouver Church from 1947-1952. During the past three years in Provo, Utah, the church there successfully carried out a building campaign. He will be Minister of Pastoral Care and Counseling with other responsibilities for church membership, evangelism, and the church's Fellowship groups for Senior Highs, Young Adults and Couples. The Carters have 2 children.

Wade L. Carter

A. Vaughn Abercrombie, Tacoma First

First Church's new minister is the Rev. A. Vaughn Abercrombie from West Warwick, Rhode Island. Mr. Abercrombie is a graduate of Marietta College and attended Harvard Divinity School. He has served churches in Ohio, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The Abercrombies and their four children, Lois 16, Paul 14, David 12 and Lucia 10, will arrive in Tacoma some time in October.

Mrs. Elizabeth Meyers, Director of Christian Education, Seattle, Pilgrim. Mrs. Meyers comes to the Pilgrim Staff on a part-time basis. She served as D.R.E. at Magnolia Church, Seattle until June 1st.

yrus M. Gonigam—Aberdeen, First

The Rev. Cyrus M. Gonigam of ulaski, New York, has accepted the all to become the minister of the berdeen Church on November 1st. Ir. Gonigam is a graduate of Anover Newton Theological Seminary nd he has been serving our church Pulaski for the past five years. Ve welcome the Ginogams and their ree children, Marion 16, Peter 13 nd Phyllis 9, to our Conference.

ohn R. Branden, Warden

The Rev. John A. Branden, Asstant Pastor, First Federated hurch of Peoria, Illinois, came to Varden this summer. Mr. Branden as ordained in his home church, pokane, Westminster, last year. lis theological work was taken at angor and Chicago Theological eminaries.

orance Dossett, Steilacoom, Oberlin

Pastor of Hillyard Congregaional Church of Spokane the past wo years, he has accepted the call o the Oberlin Congregational Church in Steilacoom. The Dossetts vill move to Steilacoom around the irst of October. Lorance and Mrs. Dossett are well known by many f the members of our churches hrough their sharing of their muscal talent at association and anual conference meetings.

tine O. Douglas, Spokane, Westview

Mr. Douglas, Presbyterian minster at Ephrata, Washington ince 1954, has been called as irst minister of the new Westview Church in Spokane. He assumed his uties as minister of that church August 1. In his Ephrata parish his hurch has doubled in membership nd in stewardship practices.

The Douglas family consists of tine, his wife Margaret, and three mall children.

Mr. Douglas enters his new field vith much enthusiasm, for he has xpressed his feeling that he conliders the new Westview field as one of the most promising parishes he has seen.

Along with assuming the pastorte of this new parish, Douglas has ransferred his ministerial standing rom the Presbytery of Washington o the Congregational Conference.

The call to Mr. Douglas from the church was unanimous. His call has also met with full approval by the Board of Home Missions of the General Council, which gives part support to the Westview field in its formative years.

LAYMEN'S RETREAT

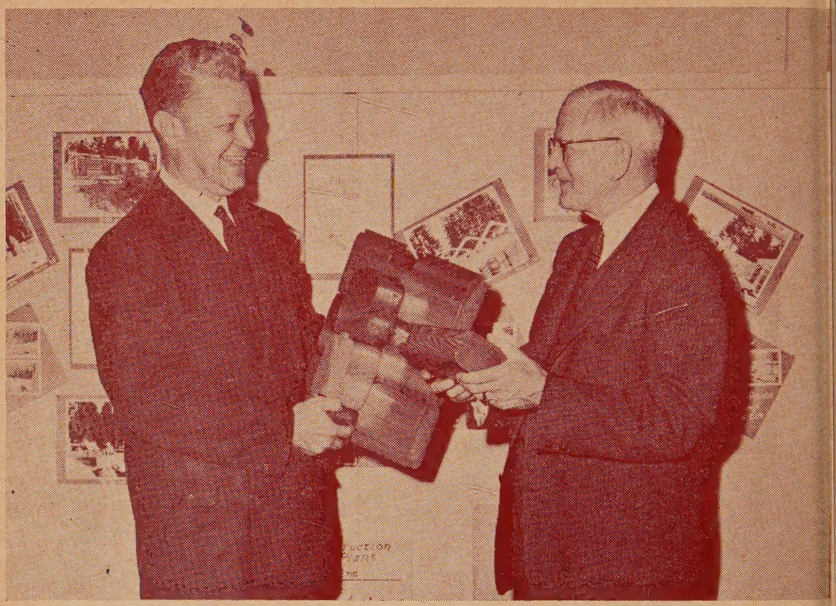
Pilgrim Firs will be the site of the fall laymen's retreat Saturday and Sunday, October 13-14th. This meeting is usually held in the spring but was postponed until this time due to the incompletion of Pilgrim Firs at that time.

Conversation around fireplace at N-Sid-Sen

The feature speaker for the weekend will be Dr. Stanley North, General Secretary of the Division of Church Extension and Evangelism on our National staff. Stan is well known to the laymen of our conference since he directed the West Coast campaign for the National Building Loan Fund in the biennium 1952-1954.

Meal time at Spring Retreat

All men are urged to come and share in this laymen's weekend. Further information can be secured from the laymen's fellowship officers or Dr. Jackson Smith of the Conference staff.



A piece of the Northwest went home in the luggage of Dr. and Mrs. Albert Buckner Coe after the 68th Annual Conference meeting in Pullman this past May. Dr. Coe, our national moderator for the past two years, is pictured above holding a sample of red cedar Pan-Abode log like those used in the building of Pilgrim Firs. Dr. Martin L. Goslin, our newly elected Conference Moderator and past chairman of the Pilgrim Firs Committee is showing Dr. Coe how the logs are pounded together. Registration moved smoothly as is shown below. Over 350 delegates attended the three-day session in the beautiful new Pullman sanctuary.

THE MEASURE OF A MOMENT

Theron A. Zimmerman

"Who could take the measure of that moment when they made the cause of Christ their own!" So exclaimed the narrator, Raymond Masey, as he commented on the first scene of the great Haystack prayer meeting observance presented in Omaha, June 23, 1956, as a very important feature on the program of the biennial meeting of our General Council of Congregational Christian Churches.

We saw those five famous freshmen of Williams College move out "into all the world" from their moment of dedication under the haystack on the Williams College campus one hundred and fifty years ago. The rapidly following scenes gave us a sharp picture of the results of that momentous Haystack meeting with their terrific challenge for us in our moments of decision today.

We saw and heard the Communist agitator in Africa challenging the Christian native worker and the masses asking, "Have you not worked for thirty years, Christian, with patience and moderation? And what can you show for it? More and more restrictions . . . until today we have no adequate land . . . no decent employment . . . and more curfew laws and pass regulations than ever before. Can you deny it, Christian?"

Then as the Christian struggles with God as he answers the taunt he spoke directly to us all in the arena that night and to all Christians everywhere: "You out there—you who call to the same Father with me, you who dwell in his household—if we do not find ways to do more . . . we have already done too much. This ferment in Africa is a Christian responsibility . . . The Christians began it and we must answer for it. We cannot, we dare not, stop halfway in revolution."

We were carried to India to see an early missionary save the life of a boy doomed to be a human sacrifice. From place to place we followed the scenes from all over the earth as the sick were healed, lepers cleansed, the blind given sight and sick minds made healthy again, little children released from back-breaking toil, hopeless poverty-stricken men shown how to produce needed articles cooperatively.

After these scenes we were brought back to the present crisis and heard our African Christian speak directly to all of us again: "This revolution that began, Christian, is an unfinished revolution . . . a faltering revolution. The missionaries who came to us, and then our own Christian leaders created a conscience in our countries . . . but they did not channel that conscience into a program for social change. A vacuum was created and into that vacuum came the false revolutionaries . . . Our boys here are educated in Christian schools, but the Communists send 800 a year to college in France . . . the Mau Mau terrorists claim many more . . . the criminal life in our segregated shanty towns takes thousands more . . . In my Johannesburg alone we need 100 leaders to work with our young people. Back in the bush country around Johannesburg we need another hundred. And I speak of the only City I know. I speak of a tiny dot on the world's great map. It is time we reclaimed the revolution in Africa. It is time that we reclaimed the revolutionary spirit for Christian men!"

As a tragic-comic contrast the dancers then presented, "Busy, busy, busy," a terrific satire on what goes on in far too many local churches in America while the world is in revolution. It would be well for each of us to read this scene and then examine ourselves. Are we very, very busy with multitudinous and frequently trivial concern while we neglect the real business of the Kingdom of God?

More hopefully, as the scenes follow, we see the laymen of our American churches catching the vision of need and responsibility: "Such a man would have to make the cause of Christ his own . . . identify with the suffering, the hungry, the lonely on the earth, and help bear the burdens. And so he would come at last to the cross. And this is the way it must always be: Christ calls us to Himself, and when we have come to Him, we find each other. This is the real revolution."

The script of this mighty, dramatic presentation, written by Helen Kromer, might well form the basis of a study by our churches.

Ordinations:

William B. Graham, Jr., Ordination May 27, 1956, Spokane, Westminster. Sermon by Kenneth D. Claypool. Other parts by Norman L. Rice (Mr. Graham's father-in-law), Robert A. Nathan, Jr., Willard F. Johnson, Clement F. Hahn, F. William Westwood, Bernard C. Herrick, Evert Top.

Stuart L. Kimball, Ordination, June 10, 1956, Tacoma, First. Sermon by Martin L. Goslin. Other parts by Archie H. Hook, Carl Baird, Edward Hastings, Roger Clevenger, John H. Gibson, R. Franklin Thompson, J. H. Atkins, Fred Burkhardt, Robert A. J. Livingston.

George Nelson, Ordination, July 15, 1956, Hockinson. Sermon by Archie H. Hook. Other parts by James Duffey, Douglass Parris, George Schubert, Fred Field, John Haverinen, Ralph Barber.

Recognitions:

George S. Snyder, Recognition, April 22, 1956, Seattle, Green Lake. Sermon, Archie H. Hook. Other parts by Everett Hunt, Robert Pruitt, Robert Owen, Charles Williams, Paul Donavan, Kenneth Claypool, O. W. Jefferson, Harold Herman, Fay Snyder.

Franklin Forrester, Recognition, June 12, 1956, Deer Park. Sermon, Archie H. Hook. Other parts by F. Wm. Westwood, Jefferson Smith, Elmer Nourse, Theron Zimmerman, B. J. Dahl, Ben R. Fitch, Don Kaelin, Earl Longanecker.

Dedications:

Pasco Congregational Curch, Dedication of Church, April 29, 1956. Sermon by Archie H. Hook. Other parts by Bernard Herrick, Louis Turner, Franklin Elliott, Elmer Hostetler, Ira Black, Ed Cunningham, F. Wm. Westwood, Melvin Fenner, Ira Grigg, Russell Tuttle. Paul D. Sutley is the minister.

Magnolia, Community, Seattle, Dedication of Education Unit, June 10, 1956. Sermon by Archie H. Hook. Other parts by Gordon C. Snyder, John H. Gibson, Gertrude L. Apel, Archie R. Morgan, Donovan O. Kraable. Kenneth D. Claypool is the minister.

West Seattle, Dedication of Refurnished Sanctuary, June 10, 1956. Sermon by Martin L. Goslin. Other parts by Charles Harris, Harold Herman, Ernest Bergeson, A. Dean Osterberg, Charles L. Williams, Earl Valtazor, Archie H. Hook, Mrs. Norman Richardson. Roland F. Schlueter is the minister.

Eastgate Congregational Church, Bellevue, Constitution of Church. **Franklin W. Kelsey,** installation, May 20, 1956. Sermon by Ben Bradford. Other parts by Kenneth Claypool, Ed Cunningham, Jeannette Fox, Martin Goslin, Harold Herman, Archie H. Hook, Rex Jordan, Clinton Ostrander, Chester Ramsey, Clyde H. Reid, Jr., Edward Setchko, Chadbourne Spring.

Dr. Warren H. Denison—a name synonymous with Christian Stewardship to all who knew him—died suddenly and very peacefully at his home in Grinnell, Iowa, August 27, 1956. Though 86 years of age, Dr. Denison carried a full schedule of stewardship projects, with advance dates at the time of his death for the next two years, including four months with our churches in Hawaii in the near future.

Aside from three long pastorates in Troy, Ohio; Huntington, Indiana, and Norfolk, Virginia, Dr. Denison also served on our national boards. Since his retirement in 1938 he conducted stewardship programs in over 2,000 of our churches in 43 states. Several churches in the Washington Conference have had the benefit of his consecrated leadership. His influence will be felt for years to come, as ministers and laymen make a living memorial to his life in the Christian stewardship of time, talent and treasure.

June 2, 1956

Dear Friends:

Several weeks ago we set up a memorial for mother, who died recently. This memorial is a scholarship fund to aid theological students in the Philippines.

Gifts to this scholarship fund could be sent either to dad, the Rev. Robert Pruitt, Peshastin, Washington, or to me. We will forward the funds to the Philippines.

Cordially,
Paul Pruitt

Dedication Sunday at Pasco on April 29, 1956

Single Young Adult Conference

The first single young adult conference will be held at Pilgrim Firs October 26-28. This weekend is the outgrowth of a need for single young adults 18-35 to have the opportunity of coming together for a strengthening of the faith, fun and fellowship. The weekend is being sponsored by a young adult committee from the Seattle-Tacoma area in cooperation with the conference Christian Education Committee.

The Rev. Donald Lamka, co-pastor of Fauntleroy Church, will be the keynote speaker. All churches are urged to have their young adults register for this weekend. The total cost is $5.00.

Olivet's 50th Anniversary

During the week of October 21-28th, Olivet Congregational Church will observe the 50th anniversary of the founding of the church on Beacon Avenue. This anniversary will coincide with the founding of the American Board one hundred years earlier. The week will be filled with special activities commemorating this milestone in the life of the church.

ARLINGTON OBSERVED 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, April 22nd, marked the fiftieth anniversary of the United Congregational Church of Arlington. Holy Communion marked the birthdate of the church on April 15th, and also the reception of the first new members to begin its second 50 years. The 22nd was a day of special services with a service of recognition and review and fellowship hour for all members and friends.

Church School Teacher's Clinic

The second annual Church School Worker's workshop will be held in Deer Park October 19-21. The workshop sponsored by the conference Christian Education Committee is designed to help all church school workers. Registration is $5.00 per person or $10.00 per church. Meals will cost $4.00 and housing will be provided by the Deer Park Church members.

NORTHWEST REGIONAL BEGINS OCTOBER 30

"Hear Ye, Hear Ye," the greatest week in Congregational life in the Northwest for 1956 will occur the last week of October. This is the time of the annual Northwest Regional meeting to be held in Spokane, October 30-31 and November 1st.

Miss Elsie Farris

Dr. Truman Douglass

A list of the leaders for the conference reads like a Who's Who of Congregationalism. Dr. Truman B. Douglass, Executive Vice-President of the Board of Home Missions, will address the conference on Wednesday evening on the theme, "Vital Churchmanship." Dr. Douglass will also share in the leadership of the seminar on OCWM. Miss Elsie M. Farris, one of the leading laywomen of our fellowship, will share in the evening program on the first night, speaking on the subject, "The Church and New Freedom." On the final evening of the conference, Dr. Herman Reissig of our Council for Social action and a recently returned visitor to Europe and Russia, will give his insights on "A Christian Looks at United States Foreign Policy."

This is the second straight year that the Washington Conference has helped to play host to the conference through one of its churches. Thanks to the hospitality of Westminster Church, Spokane, lodging and breakfast will be available in the homes of the members of the church for all those who make their needs known well in advance.

Dr. Herman Reissig

Dr. Harry Stock

All churches are urged to be represented by lay delegates and their ministers. The purpose of the conference is to offer fellowship, intellectual stimulation, inspiration, and practical help in churchmanship.

The total cost will be $2.00 registration, and luncheons $1.00 and dinner at $1.50. Delegates who are registered for the full time of the conference will be eligible to receive travel expense at the rate of 1c a mile, exclusive of the first 200 miles.

See you at the Northwest Regional Conference. Greet your fellow Congregationalists from Idaho, Oregon and Montana.

WORK DAY FOR CHRIST

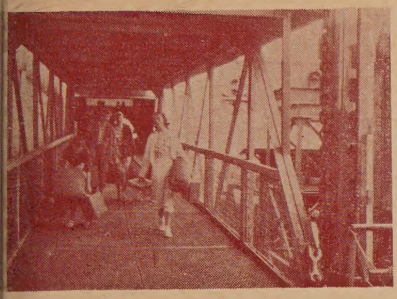
On the 20th day of October PF'ers all over the country will take on jobs of all kinds in order to earn as much money as possible for the Work Day for Christ.

Seven years ago this fall the first Pilgrim Fellowship Christ Work Day was held as a result of an idea adopted at National PF Council that year. This idea was presented by the Iowa PF'ers who had used it successfully in their own state for two years.

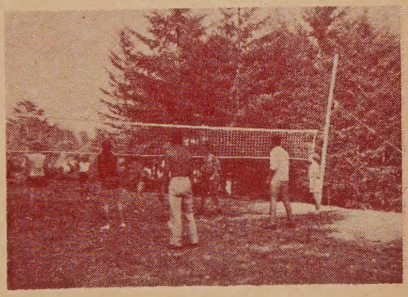
The State PF budget this year has been set at $5000; $3500 of it to be raised from Work Day for Christ. On that day last year $3200 was earned. It is hoped that the National total will reach $50,000 this year.

Even if this isn't reached, much good will be accomplished. PF'ers will have had their chance to demonstrate again to adults in the church and to neighbors and members of the community at large that young people have an integral concern in the fellowship of Christ's Church. They have been willing to work hard to express their faith and as they pause at the end of the day to dedicate their earnings they will thank God for the physical ability to follow His will.

SCENES FROM SUMMER CONFERENCE



With sleeping bag and all the equipment for a week at camp we pack ourselves off to camp. This group is but a small portion of the 891 campers and faculty members who attended the camps this summer at N-Sid-Sen and Pilgrim Firs. Our total this year was a record high for our conference.



Fun, Fellowship, Worship, Inspiration, Study. All the ingredients of each and every day at camp. Whether on the volleyball court or in the chapel, the Pilgrim Fellowship youth found that "tie that binds" them together as Christian young people.

Mornings included study groups and open discussions. In the picture on the left we see "Rollie" Schleuter leading the group at the first Pilgrim Firs camp in thinking about their Christian Beliefs. To all who take a week of their summer to serve on a summer conference faculty, a hearty "Thank You."

A week at camp is filled with "moments to remember": the evening vespers, morning watch, communion, campfire, roommates from your cabin. Friendships formed at camp last a lifetime.

Before a week at camp is over new senior high officers are elected to help make the plans for next year These three officers from Peshastin, Dryden and Seattle, Columbia will join with the officers elected at other camps to help make next year even better than this.

MOSES LAKE

The beginnings of a new church are taking place in Moses Lake with the organization of a new church committee. Regular business and planning meetings are taking place under the direction of Richard Ballard, Chairman; Marjorie Muir, secretary, and Ed Cunningham, Conference Director of Church Extension. Pictured above are Marjorie and Richard checking details.

FALL WOMEN'S MEETING IN VERADALE

September 19 and 20, the Veradale Church entertained the Fall Meeting of the Women's Fellowship of Washington and Idaho. It was a privilege to have as special guest and speaker, Mary Francis Cook of Santa Ana, California. She was formerly President of the Southern California Congregational women and at present is a member of the National Committee for Women's Gifts.

LAKEVIEW CHURCH PURCHASES NEW PARSONAGE

The Lakeview Congregational Church, located just northwest of McChord Field near Tacoma, has just purchased a nearby house as the parsonage for the church. The house is separated from the church block by only one other residence. With the problem of a parsonage out of the way, the Church Building Committee now has turned its full attention to the completion of the plans for the building of a new church. Just two years ago the church bought the entire block where it is now located and during the past year approved preliminary plans for the future church, social hall, and religious education unit.

Flash—

AS WE GO TO PRESS

Sunday, September 9, was a big day for the Lincoln Heights Church of Spokane, when it launched a Building Fund Drive for an entirely new structure. Plans have been made for a three-phase program beginning with the construction of a new sanctuary adjoining its present location at 29th and Freya in a growing residential area.

As we go to press word comes of the remarkable success of its 19 teams of visitors who brought in over $27,000 in cash and pledges on the initial day's calling! Over 70 homes of members and friends were still to be called on in completing the canvass. Pledges run over a three-year period.

This comparatively small church of 150 members (1955 Yearbook) has demonstrated what can be done in a stewardship commitment of its people. The Rev. James W. Montgomery is the church pastor and Mr. Burton Chestnut is the Chairman of the Building Fund Drive Committee. Jackson E. Smith of the Washington Conference staff was the Campaign Director.

Upon nomination by the executive committee, Dr. Fred Hoskins, minister of the First Congregational Church in Oak Park, Illinois, was unanimously and enthusiastically elected minister and secretary of our General Council on June 22 in Omaha, Nebraska. He succeeds Dr. Douglas Horton, presently dean of Harvard Divinity School. Above, Dr. Horton (right) congratulates Dr. Hoskins.

COMING EVENTS

Schedule As Approved by Coordinating Committee—

ptember 22:	P. F. Leadership Training Conference—West Side (West Seattle)
ptember 23:	Every Member Canvass Clinics: Brewster, Colfax, Pasco, Anacortes, Tacoma, Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.
ptember 25:	Evangelism Committee, Conference Home
ptember 29:	P. F. Leadership Training Conference—East Side (Odessa)
tober 2-11:	Association Meetings:
	Oct. 2-3, Tues. and Wed.: Eastern Washington—Northern Idaho Association at Chewelah.
	Oct. 4, Thursday: Yakima Assoc. at Toppenish.
	Oct. 7, Sunday: Tacoma Assoc. at Pilgrim Church, Tacoma.
	Oct. 8, Monday: Northwestern Assoc. at 1st Cong., Everett.
	Oct. 9, Tuesday: Seattle Assoc. at West Seattle.
	Oct. 11, Thursday: Columbia River Assoc. at Cathlamet.
tober 9:	Library Committee, Conference Home.
tober 13-14:	Laymen's Retreat, Pilgrim Firs.
tober 13-20:	Dr. Stanley North in Conference.
tober 16:	Board of Directors, 10 a.m.
	Church Extension Committee, 3 p.m.
tober 18-19-20:	Audio Visual Workshop—Council of Churches, First Baptist Church, Seattle.
tober 19-21:	Church School Teacher's Clinic—Deer Park.
tober 20:	Work Day for Christ.
tober 23:	Evangelism Committee.
tober 21-27:	United Nations Week.
tober 26-28:	West Side Young Adult Conference—Pilgrim Firs.
tober 26-29:	International Relations Institutes (Herman Reissig, Leader)
	October 26—Bellingham
	October 28—Seattle (Everett in the morning, Kirkland in afternoon)
	October 29—Pasco
tober 29:	Christian Education Committee; Westminster, Spokane.
tober 30:	Christian Education Deans' Meeting; Westminster, Spokane.
	Social Action Committee Meeting, 11:00 a.m., Westminster, Spokane.
	Our Christian World Mission Committee Meeting Westminster.
	Committee on the Ministry.
tober 30-31-Nov. 1:	Northwest Regional Meeting; Westminster, Spokane
vember 2-3-4:	Council of Churches, Leadership Retreat.
vember 13:	Library Committee, Conference Home.
vember 20:	Board of Directors
vember 24:	Seminars on Racial Integration: 1. Spokane, Westminster, 6:30 p.m. 2. Seattle, Plymouth, 6:30 p.m.
vember 27:	Evangelism Committee, Conference Home.
cember 3:	Christian Education Committee, Seattle.
cember 6:	Our Christian World Mission Committee Meeting, Conference Home.
cember 11:	Library Committee, Conference Home.
cember 18:	Board of Directors.
cember 27-31:	Northwest Ecumenical Student Conference. Sponsored by United Student Christian Council and member denominations.

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